





INFORMATION FOR THE MEDICAL COMMUNITY AND THE PUBLIC FROM THE

D.C. BOARD OF MEDICINE

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Summarily Suspended

Luanne Ruona, M.D.: (8/10/99) License summarily suspended for conduct that represents an imminent danger to the health and safety of the residents of the District of Columbia. The physician surrendered her license to practice medicine in Maryland, due to health issues attendant to relapsed alcohol abuse.

Jeffrey M. Levitt, M.D.: (8/23/99) D.C. medical and acupuncture licenses summarily suspended for conduct that represents an imminent danger to the health and safety of residents of the District of Columbia. The physician's Maryland license was suspended on April 28, 1999 for engaging in sexual relations with multiple patients, inappropriate prescribing, unlicensed practice of acupuncture in Maryland, and other violations.

Denied

William E. Anderson, M.D.: (12/29/99) License denied. Applicant failed to achieve a passing score on an accepted examination and was the subject of disciplinary action in Iowa.

Anya Lockett-Evans, M.D.: (12/29/99) License denied. Applicant failed to achieve a passing score on an accepted examination.

Carl E. Bell, M.D.: (6/30/99) License denied. Physician did not have a current license in good standing in other jurisdictions at the time of application as required by D.C. regulations.

Suspension, Probation and Reporting Requirements

Nasser Ghaed, M.D.: (8/25/99) Physician's D.C. medical license suspended three years with the suspension stayed; three years probation and reporting requirements. Physician pled guilty in Maryland to assault with intent to murder in a domestic dispute. This order was vacated on 12/29/99; see details under "Other."

Vibhakar Mody, M.D.: (2/23/99) Physician's D.C. medical license suspended for six months *nunc pro tunc* from November 17, 1997, with suspension stayed. Physician placed on probation for two years *nunc pro tunc* from November 17, 1997. Reporting requirements. Disciplined in Maryland for conduct (inappropriate patient care)

that would be grounds for disciplinary action in the District of Columbia. The care deemed inappropriate included allowing a nurse to see obstetric patients, prescribe drugs and sign records without the physician being present.

Probation , D.C. Practice Prohibition and Reporting Requirements

Jeffrey I. Goltz, M.D.: (11/24/99) Indefinite probation, prohibited from practicing in D.C. during probation and reporting requirements. Physician fraudulently and deceptively used his medical license, willfully made a false report in the practice of medicine and was convicted of a crime of moral turpitude that bears directly on his fitness to be licensed. The above charges relate to a guilty plea of perjury during expert testimony.

Reprimanded

Ronald L. Anderson, Jr., M.D.:

(7/29/99) Reprimanded by consent order. Physician was convicted in D.C. Superior Court of obstruction of justice and found in contempt of court for attempting to prevent a complainant, who was a patient, from being a witness against him.

William Brown, Jr., M.D.: (7/15/99) Reprimanded by consent order. Physician was convicted in D.C. Superior Court of obstruction of justice for attempting to prevent a complainant from testifying against another physician.

Kyung Suk Park, M.D.: (6/30/99) Reprimanded. Physician was disciplined in Virginia for actions that would be grounds for disciplinary action in the District of Columbia (sexual relationship with a patient and inappropriate prescribing for that patient).

Fined

Jewel A. Quinn, M.D.: (6/30/99) Fined \$1,000.00 for maintaining an unsanitary office at 306 H Street, N.E.; Washington, D.C. 20002.

Other

Steven C. Barber, M.D.: (1/27/99) Summary suspension of 11/27/98 lifted by consent order with practice restrictions and reporting requirements. Physician has not renewed D.C. medical license as of 12/31/99.

Gideon M. Kioko, M.D.: (6/30/99) Probation terminated. Physician's license in the District of Columbia is restored to unencumbered status following restoration in Maryland.

Eric E. Jones, M.D.: (10/27/99) Licensed reinstated as of September 29, 1999. Physician's license was revoked on November 28, 1998 for failure to comply with the terms of a consent order dated July 2, 1997. Physician satisfied the terms of the July 2, 1997 order and was approved for reinstatement without restrictions.

Nasser Ghaed, M.D.: (12/31/99) Order of 8/25/99 vacated. On or about September 2, 1999, the Circuit Court of Montgomery County Maryland struck the physician's guilty plea to assault with intent to murder. The legal basis for the disciplinary action imposed by the 8/25/99 order was therefore eliminated.

Administrative Fines

The following licensees were fined by consent order for unlicensed practice attendant to failing to renew in advance of the expiration date of their license, beginning employment prior to application submission, or participating in post-graduate training without a license after being licensed in D.C. or another jurisdiction.

Stanley Benjamin, M.D. Ljubica Kancir-Azer, M.D. Audrey M. Conner, M.D. Nhut-Tuyet Nguyen, M.D. Louis Conte, M.D. Monique Stevens, M.D. Leroy Jackson, M.D

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D.C. Board of Medicine License Verifications Room 2224 825 N. Capitol Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20002.

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